BUILDING FURNITURE WITH HAND TOOLS ONLY—NO POWER TOOLS!
Wed May 16, 7 pm at Ashwaubenon High School

Presenter Ken Quade, NEWWG member
As newlyweds, Ken and Judy Quade liked nice colonial furniture but when they shopped for it, they found the prices more than they could afford at the time, and upon looking at it closely, the quality of construction wasn’t what they had expected for the price.
Since Ken had taken wood shop in high school, he decided that he could build their furniture as needed. Then two other problems cropped up, 1) the cost of power tools and 2) shop space large enough to accommodate them. That led them to the conclusion that they would build necessary furniture with hand or non-power tools until they could afford power tools and the space to use them.
That was nearly 50 years ago but they still have no power tools and are still producing furniture by hand, usually upon request from their children. Over the years, the construction has evolved (or possibly, devolved) from being relatively complex and finely finished to a more primitive but functional style (perhaps following the Japanese philosophy of Wabi-Sabi) using no glue or hardware if possible. They’ve found that building furniture using only hand tools is quiet, relaxing, safe, good exercise, and mistakes are not made nearly as quickly.

2018 UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT ASHWABENON HIGH SCHOOL 7 PM

Green Bay Ashwaubenon High School 2391 S. Ridge Rd
Enter through the west side of the building, and turn Right to the meeting room.
Map available on our web site newwg.org

May 16  Ken Quade  Building a table using hand tools only
June 20  Bob Kuritz  Thin veneer marquetry
July 18  Lafe Nelson  Custom made knives and sheaths
Aug 19 Sun PICNIC  DeBroux Park  More details to be arranged
MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Notes from NEWWG Guild President, Pete Schuh

Annual Officer Elections

The June membership meeting is fast approaching. Our Constitution and By-laws require we give at least a 30 day notice for election of officers or changes to the by-laws. Please consider supporting your guild through serving on the board. We have most of the positions available if you want to get involved. Most of the people now serving have been in those positions for quite awhile and are willing to let someone else step in.

This is a list of positions, President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, News Letter Editor/ Web site manager, and Librarian. The Vice President is chairman of the program committee; Second Vice President is Chairman of public relations committee. The Secretary records the minutes of the directors meetings. The Treasurer receives all monies and makes disbursements in the name of the guild. Reserves the meeting room, renews the insurance and raffle permit. Files form 990N post card for taxes. The Editor publishes and distributes the monthly news letter and keeps the web site up to date. The Librarian maintains the guild library, sends out over due notices, video records the monthly meetings and places a copy in the library.

Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. We will need to hear from you before the voting at the June meeting. If you would like to join us at the May directors meeting to get a feeling of how it works, let us know. You can contact any board member or Let me know of your interest.

Pete Schuh   pjscls@live.com   920-788-3871

Membership Renewal Date Changes

This is an update to our membership regarding dues as we transition to a uniform Oct 1 dues renewal date. Please bear with us as we make this transition. The change is intended to help us all keep easier note of membership renewals. There are a lot of numbers, it is possible that there may be my or computer errors that I have not caught. If you feel that your information is not correct, please call.

The attached is my latest record of each individual’s renewal status including recent payments. To help make the catch up process easier, we would like to break our membership list into four parts with one-fourth of you paying your dues on a specified month from now to October. With that, all members on the attached list are asked to pay their dues to October 19, 2019 in this month of May, 2018. Send your checks to me at 2683 Whitegate Trail, De Pere, WI 54115. Call 920-621-5125 with questions. Also for the people who have decided to relinquish their membership, please send me an email message at tzabel5125@hotmail.com or drop me a written note. Please let me know of any problems
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Field Trip in August! To Little Chute!
By Steve Lockhart

I am in the process of arranging a group tour of the Little Chute Windmill. I toured it last fall and highly recommend it to woodworkers. We will get a guided tour by a guide knowledgeable in woodworking. The date is not firmed up yet but it is time to start thinking about it. Spouses will be welcome and we'll try to do it on a weekday evening in August. There will be a cost of $6 per person.

The windmill is an authentic, fully functioning 1850s design from the Netherlands and is over 100 feet tall. It was designed and built in the Netherlands, by 4th generation Millwright, Lucas Verbij, disassembled, shipped to Little Chute and reassembled.

Stay tuned for more information!

REQUEST FOR HELP  Repair of child's rocker

The guild has received a request from Golden House, which is a shelter for abused women and children.

They have a child's rocker in need of repairs. See photos and notes that follow. “Thank you very much for responding to my plea... I should have mentioned that I would pay for the wood. Children love having small furniture and this is a very sturdy chair. It also goes without saying that I am not asking for a "fancy" repair job...just something that would make this chair usable. I can deliver the chair to anyone in the area."

Please contact Anita if you can be of help.
Anita Crowell <anitajcrowell@gmail.com>
There have been two Board of Directors meetings over the past month, as your elected representatives work to find an optimal location for meetings, allowing for more presentation options.

Board of Directors Meeting  April 10, 2018 at the home of Paul Murphy & Pat Williams
Present:  Pete Schuh, Paul Murphy, Pat Williams, Ted Zabel, Bob Welhouse, Maureen Birk, Steve Lockhart, Chuck Druckrey
Absent:  Dan & Jane Alesch
Meeting brought to order by Pete Schuh at 7:03pm. Prior minutes approved.
· Membership report:
  Ted introduced a binder with all new members and their interests and a question indicating whether they would be willing to present a program.
· Special Events:  no report
· Programs:
  - 18 April 2018 - Tom Sveum - building old-time wagon wheels
  - May 2018 - Ken Quaid - hand tools
  - June 2018 - Bob Kuritz - marquetry
  - July 2018 - Lafe Nelson - knife making
  - 19 August 2018 - picnic scheduled - DeBroux Park
· Editors Report:  Articles are due May 7, 2018.
· Website Report:  some updating has been done.
· Librarian Report:  no report.
· Public Relations / Community Service:  no report
New Business:
a.  evaluated meeting sites.
b.  One-time a year dues payment confirmed.
c.  Spring Show discussions: introduction of bucket raffles, Wi-Fi password for credit card users, other possible changes.
· Next board meeting:
  April 25, 2018 at All Hands On Deck.

Board of Directors Meeting  Meeting Held:  April 25, 2018 at Hands on Deck, 101 Bay Beach Road, Green Bay
Present:  Pete Schuh, Paul Murphy, Pat Williams, Ted Zabel, Bob Welhouse, Maureen Birk, Steve Lockhart, Chuck Druckrey, Dan Alesch, Mark Hawkins
Absent:  Jane Alesch
Meeting brought to order by Pete Schuh at 7:02pm. Prior minutes approved.
· Treasurer's Report:  Last year: $9,253.57; Current assets: $9,628.84. Brief discussion re show expenses
· Membership report:
  a.  Discussion re positive response to once-a-year dues renewal.
  b.  Discussion re member recruitment targeting new retirees.
· Special Events:  no report
· Programs:
  - 18 April 2018 - Tom Sveum - building old-time wagon wheels (to be rescheduled due to snowstorm)
  - May 2018 - Ken Quaid - building table with hand tools
  - June 2018 - Bob Kuritz - marquetry
  - July 2018 - Lafe Nelson - knife making
  - 19 August 2018 - picnic scheduled - DeBroux Park
· Editors Report:  Articles are due May 7, 2018.
· Website Report:  good progress.
· Librarian Report:  no report.
· Public Relations / Community Service:  no report
New Business:
a.  One-time a year dues payment reconfirmed.
b.  Slate of officers, notice in May newsletter, request members if interested in being on the board. Election in June, duties effective July 1st.
c.  Outagamie County Fair offered a booth to promote the guild.
· Next board meeting:
  May 22, 2018 at the Dan & Jane Alesch home
**Bench Talk** is the newsletter of the Northeast Wisconsin Wood Workers Guild, published prior to regularly scheduled monthly meetings. Submissions from members are welcome (articles, musings, questions, pictures.) Deadline for next newsletter is June 11, 2018.

**NORTHEAST WISCONSIN WOODWORKING GUILD**  
**MEETINGS** (Guests and prospective members welcome)  
3rd Wednesday of each month, unless specified otherwise.  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Where: Ashwaubenon High School  
Visit our web site at: www.newwg.org  
How to Get Involved:  
For inquiries regarding joining  
The Northeastern Wisconsin Woodworkers Guild, contact:  
Pete Schuh: pjscls@live.com (920-788-3871)  
Or any other Board or committee member.  
Regarding this newsletter, or the web page, contact:  
Maureen Birk: 920-755-3404 birkmr@yahoo.com

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President: Pete Schuh  
Vice President Programs, Steve Lockhart  
Vice President Publicity/Membership, Ted Zabel  
Vice President, Paul Murphy  
Treasurer, Chuck Druckery  
Secretary, Bob Welhouse

**Committee Chairs & Project Coordinators**  
Librarian, Pete Schuh  
Special Events, Dan Alesch  
Spring Show, Steve Lockhart  
Web Site & Newsletter, Maureen Birk

**UPCOMING EVENTS SPONSORED BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**ATTENTION CARVERS!**

**Gordon Stiller Best Maritime Carving Award**  
Friday May 18 - Sunday May 20, 2018  
Wisconsin Maritime Museum at Manitowoc  
Presented by the 42nd Annual Midwestern Model Ships & Boats Contest & Display  
Category V: Nautical Crafts  
- Ship’s figureheads  
- Mythical sea creatures  
- Fish  
- Waterfowl  
GOLD, SILVER, and BRONZE plaques also awarded.  
Download registration materials at:  